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AND RELATED METHOD OF MODULATING OPTICAL

SIGNALS

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below.